

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
U.S. Appln. no. 09/901,563

REMARKS

At the issuance of the Office Action dated July 11, 2005, claims 1-8 were all the claims pending in the application. Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that independent claims 2 and 6 are allowed.

Since claims 4 and 8 depend from claims 2 and 6, respectively, it is believed that these claims are also allowed by virtue of their dependency from allowed claims. Thus, the prior art rejections of claims 4 and 8 should be withdrawn.

In an effort to expedite prosecution of this application, Applicant cancels claims 1, 3, 5 and 7, thus, placing the application into condition for allowance since only claims 2, 4, 6 and 8 remain pending.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for returning the initialed PTO/SB/08 filed with the Information Disclosure Statement on March 18, 2005.

As noted in the previous submission to the Office, the Examiner is respectfully requested to indicate approval of the drawings filed on July 11, 2001.

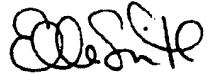
Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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